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1. There is a rumor current in [REDACTED] and Democratic Republic of Vietnam (DRV)-controlled zone that the Chinese Communists are considering returning to Vietnam the provinces of Kwangtung and Kwangsi. These two provinces belonged to Vietnam during the Ly Dynasty.

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2. Although this rumor has existed for several months, it has been widespread only since early January 1953. At the present time many people, including travelers from Interzones III and IV, are repeating this rumor.

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[REDACTED] A news story was published recently [REDACTED] saying that as of January 1953 the two International Communist Com-missars for Vietnam, Ho Chi Minh and Truong Chinh, were given authority not only over Vietnam but also over Chinese provinces bordering Vietnam.

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